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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL INQUIRY RE MISSING TURKISH BANKNOTE ORDER

- 1. ON BEHALF OF JOLIE COINS OF ROSLYN HEIGHTS, NEW YORK, CONGRESSMAN LESTER WOLF HAS ASKED DEPARTMENT TO INVESTIGATE CAUSE OF CONTINUING TURKISH CENTRAL BANK DELAY IN FILLING NOVEMBER 10, 1976 ORDER FOR UNCIRCULATED TURKISH NOTES, AS FOLLOWS: 7 NOTES OF TL 100 EACH, 20 NOTES OF TL 20 EACH, 50 NOTES OF TL 10 EACH, AND 100 NOTES OF TL 5 EACH.
- 2. COPY OF LETTER DATED APRIL 29, 1977 FROM TURKISH CENTRAL BANK MANAGER AHMET BICER, ALSO SIGNED BY ASSISTANT MANAGER CENAP OZGEL, TO JOLIE COINS INDICATED THAT NOTES HAD BEEN SENT FEBRUARY 4, 1977, ATTRIBUTED JOLIE'S NON-RECEIPT TO A DELAY CAUSED BY TURKISH AIRLINE STRIKE, AND ASKED JOLIE TO TO NOTIFY CENTRAL BANK IF NOTES HAD NOT BEEN RECEIVED SO THAT POST OFFICE AND INSURANCE COMPANY INVESTIGATIONS COULD BEGIN. IN LETTER DATED JULY 7, 1977, JOLIE COINS REPLIED THAT IT STILL HAD NOT RECEIVED THE ORDER.

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3. ANY INFORMATION YOU CAN DEVELOP ON STATUS OF CENTRAL BANK INVESTIGATION OF WHEREABOUTS OF MISSING ORDER WOULD BE APPRECIATED. COOPER

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